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| In re U.S. Patent Application of |) | |
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| For: OUTPUT BUFFER CIRCUIT WITH CONTROL |) | |
| CIRCUIT FOR MODIFYING SUPPLY VOLTAGE AND |) | |
| TRANSISTOR SIZE (AS AMENDED) |) | |
| Attorney Docket No. HITA.0386 |) | |

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